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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT SECURITY

REF: STATE 212490

1. SECURITY PROCEDURES AT TOCUMEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, PANAMA, MEET OR EXCEED ICAO STANDARDS, ACCORDING TO ON-SITE FAA OFFICIALS. PANAMA HAS RATIFIED HAGUE AND MONTREAL CONVENTIONS.

2. FAA COORDINATES WITH GOP ON SECURITY MEASURES, AND IN RESPONSE TO GOP REQUEST IS NOW PROVIDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE OF MAGNETIC AND X-RAY SECURITY INSPECTION DEVICES. PANAMANIAN OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR AIRPORT SECURITY HAVE ATTENDED AIR TRANSPORT SERVICE SEMINAR ON SECURITY IN PUERTO RICO LAST YEAR, AND IN SEPTEMBER 1976 FAA WILL PROVIDE FURTHER ON-THE-JOB TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

3. IN TRANSIT AREAS AT TOCUMEN AIRPORT, IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR UNSCREENED PERSONS TO MINGLE WITH SCREENED PASSENGERS ALTHOUGH PROCEDURE ASSUMES ARRIVING PASSENGERS WERE ADEQUATELY SCREENED AT PREVIOUS AIRPORT. ESCORTED VIP'S DO NOT USUALLY PASS THROUGH PHYSICAL SCREENING DEVICES.

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4. MORE COMPLETE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT FAA

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